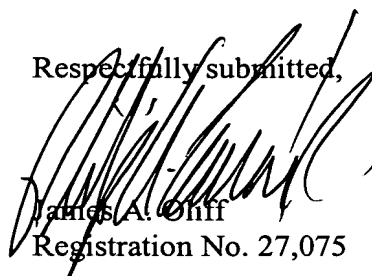


REMARKS

Claims 1 - 10 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 - 10 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and to conform the claims to U.S. practice.

Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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